GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2048
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ANTI-CORRUPTION CASES AGAINST CIVIL SERVICES OFFICERS
RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the issue of granting permission to C.B.I. for filling cases in court under the anti-corruption law against officers of Civil Services, is under consideration of the Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith number of such cases pending in the country as on date?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERS(PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS. (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a) & (b): As per the provisions contained in Section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, no court shall take cognizance of an offence committed by a public servant under the said Act unless prior sanction is given by the Government or the authority competent to remove the public servant from office. In view of the aforesaid provisions in the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 the Central Bureau of Investigation(CBI) seeks sanction of prosecution of civil servants involved in corruption cases.The CBI has informed that as on 31.12.2002, cases of 87 officials belonging to the Central Government and of 5 officials working under State Governments were pending for sanction.